

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/746,190

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 4/13/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 31, 47 and 54.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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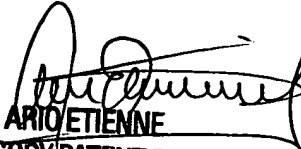
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THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. This action is responsive to RCE received April 13, 2006.
2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. John Campbell on July 6, 2006.

3. The application has been amended as follows:

- **31. (currently amended)** : A method for transferring remote files from a remote server to a local client, the method comprising the steps of:

[[receiving a file request at the local client from a local file requester to download all portions of the remote file from the remote server to the local file;

responsive to the received file request, initiating the retrieval of all portions of the remote file from the remote server to the local file;

responsive to the initiating the retrieval from the remote server, retrieving all portions of the remote file from the remote server to the local file, wherein the retrieval performed in response to the initiating the retrieval of all portions of the remote file from the remote server skips portions already retrieved from the remote server;

making the portions retrieved from the remote server at the local file available to the file requester;

receiving at the local client a portion request from a local portion requester to retrieve a portion of a remote file from the remote server to a local file at the client server, the remote file having one or more first portions preceding a second portion, the portion request comprising information specifying the second portion of the remote file from the remote server;

determining the status of portions received from the remote file from the remote server;

responsive to the portion request, when the status of the portions received from the remote server indicates that the second portion has not been received from the remote server at the local file and when one of the one or more first portions has not yet been received from the remote file from the remote server, initiating from the local client the retrieval of the second portion of the remote file from the remote server to the local file; and

when the second portion has been received from the remote server at a second portion of the local file, making the second portion of the local file available to the portion requester]]

receiving at the local client a portion request from a local portion requestor to retrieve all portions of a remote file from the remote server to a local file at the local client, the remote file having one or more first portions preceding a second portion, the portion request comprising information specifying the second portion of the remote file;

determining the status of portions received from the remote file from the remote server at the local file of the local client;

responsive to the portion request, when the status of the portions received from the remote server indicates that the second portion has not been received from the remote server and stored at the local file and when one of the one or more first portions has not yet been received from the remote file from the remote server, initiating from the local client the retrieval of all not yet retrieved portions from the remote server beginning with the second portion of the remote file from the remote server to the local file;

when the status of the portions received from the remote server indicates that the second portion has been received from the remote server and stored at the local file and when one of the one or more first portions has not yet been received from the remote file from the remote server, initiating from the local client the retrieval of all not yet retrieved portions from the remote server to the local file; and

when a portion of the all portions of the remote file have been received from the remote server and stored at a portion of the local file, making the portion of the local file available to the portion requester.

- **47. (Curently amended):** A system for downloading remote files from a remote server to a local client, the system comprising [[the steps of]]:

a network;

a remote computer system;

a local computer system in communication with the remote computer system via the network wherein the computer systems includes instructions to execute a method comprising the steps of:

receiving at the local client a portion request from a local portion requester to retrieve all portions of a remote file from the remote server to a local file at the local client [[server]], the remote file having one or more first portions preceding a second portion, the portion request comprising information specifying the second portion of the remote file;

determining the status of portions received from the remote file from the remote server at the local file of the local client;

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responsive to the portion request, when the status of the portions received from the remote server indicates that the second portion has not been received from the remote server and stored at the local file and when one of the one or more first portions has not yet been received from the remote file from the remote server, initiating from the local client the retrieval of all not yet retrieved portions from the remote server beginning with the second portion of the remote file from the remote server to the local file;

when the status of the portions received from the remote server indicates that the second portion has been received from the remote server and stored at the local file and when one of the one or more first portions has not yet been received from the remote file from the remote server, initiating from the local client the retrieval of all not yet retrieved one or more first portions from the remote server to the local file; and

when a portion of the all portions of the remote file from the remote server have been received from the remote server and stored at a portion of the local file, making the portion of the local file available to the portion requester.

– **54. (Curently amended):** A computer program product for downloading remote files from a remote server to a local client, the computer program product comprising:

a storage medium readable by a processing circuit and storing instructions for execution by a processing circuit for performing a method comprising the steps of:

receiving at the local client a portion request from a local portion requester to retrieve all portions of a remote file from the remote server to a local file at the local client, the remote file from the remote server having one or more first portions preceding

a second portion, the portion request comprising information specifying the second portion of the remote file;

determining the status of portions received from the remote file from the remote server at the local file of the local client;

responsive to the portion request, when the status of the portions received from the remote server indicates that the second portion has not been received from the remote server and stored at the local file and when one of the one or more first portions has not yet been received from the remote file from the remote server, initiating from the local client the retrieval of all not yet retrieved portions from the remote server beginning with the second portion of the remote file from the remote server to the local file;

when the status of the portions received from the remote server indicates that the second portion has been received from the remote server and stored at the local file and when one of the one or more first portions has not yet been received from the remote file from the remote server, initiating from the local client the retrieval of all not yet retrieved one or more first portions from the remote server to the local file; and

when [[a portion of the]] all portions of the remote file have been received from the remote server and stored at [[a portion of]] the local file, making the portions of the local file available to the portion requester.

- Claims 34-39, 40-41, 43-44, 46, 50-53, 57-58 and 60: **canceled**.

4. Claims 31, 47 and 54 are allowed.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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5. This communication warrants no examiner's reason for allowance, as applicant's reply makes evident the reason for allowance, satisfying the record as whole as required by rule 37 CFR 1.104 (e). In this case, the substance of applicant's remarks in the Amendment filed on May 6, 2005 with respect to the amended claim limitations and further amended claim limitations in the after final amendment filed on Jan. 27, 2006 point out the reason claims are patentable over the prior art of record. Thus, the reason for allowance is in all probability evident from the record and no statement for examiner's reason for allowance is necessary (see MPEP 13202.14).

6. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hussein A. El-chanti whose telephone number is (571)272-3999. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 8:30-5:00.

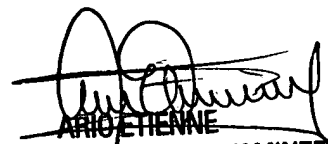
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ario Etienne can be reached on (571)272-4001. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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